

Ph.D. Graduate Research Assistantship in Forest Management and Economics

Job Description:

One graduate research assistantship for the Ph.D. in Forest Management and Economics is available in the Department of Forestry at Mississippi State University. The assistantship will include a stipend, 100% tuition waiver, and reimbursement for the health insurance cost. The successful candidate will work on research related to timber supply and carbon markets with the leading timber industry players and the USDA Forest Service. The expected start date is Fall 2021.

Qualifications:

Candidates for this position must have a master's degree in Economics, Agricultural Economics, Forest Economics, Statistics, Engineering, Operational Research. Excellent written and oral communication skills are expected. Some programming experience using statistical software (e.g., R or Python) and proficiency in GIS would be preferred.

To Apply:

To be considered for this position, the following application materials must be submitted:

- A letter of interest (1-page maximum)
- 2. Resume/CV,
- 3. Unofficial transcripts (undergraduate and graduate)
- 4. English test scores can be provided after the interview
- 5. Names and contact information of three references

Please send the package as <u>a single PDF file</u> to Dr. Silva and Dr. Tanger at <u>bruno.silva@msstate.edu</u> and <u>smt489@msstate.edu</u>. Review of the applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled. A full application to the Graduate School will be required for an official offer to be made. Additional information can be found at the MSU Department of Forestry website (https://www.cfr.msstate.edu/forestry/graduate.asp) and the MSU Office of Graduate School (http://www.grad.msstate.edu/).

About the MSU Graduate Forestry Program:

MSU's department of forestry is unique in terms of its economics expertise and capacity. We currently have seven faculty with forestry economics backgrounds and three more that work extensively with those seven on problems related to forest management and economics. This group is also responsible for the administration of the International Society of Forest Resource Economics Annual Meeting and the committee is comprised of a rotating list of the faculty mentioned above.

MSU is an equal opportunity employer, and all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, ethnicity, sex, religion, national origin, disability, age, sexual orientation, genetic information, pregnancy, gender identity, status as a U.S. veteran, and/or any other status protected by applicable law. We always welcome nominations and applications from women, members of any minority group, and others who share our passion for building a diverse community that reflects the diversity in our student population.